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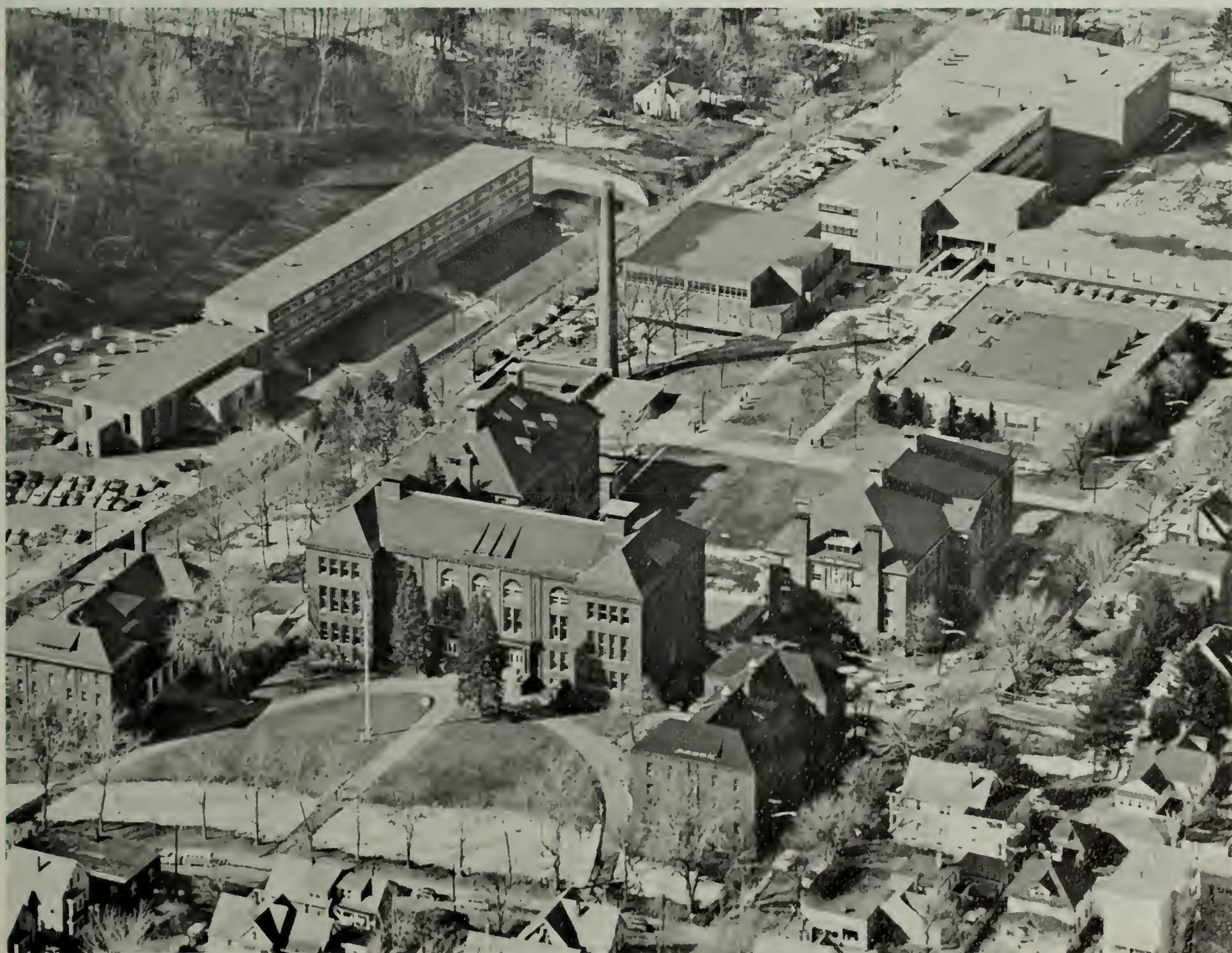


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KAMPUS VUE AGAIN TO HONOR "STUDENT OF THE YEAR"

Last year David Barnicle was selected as the "Student of the Year" by the *Kampus Vue* Editorial Board. David was chosen as the person who had done the most on campus to stimulate student enthusiasm and school spirit during the year. It is again time similarly to honor another student here at Fitchburg.

Any student with at least a 2.5 average is eligible for nomination. Each faculty member will be asked to submit to the *Kampus Vue* Associate Editor (Mary Ann Kropotkin) the names of three people, irrespective of class, who he feels have done the most on campus to aid their school and their fellow classmates.

The five most frequently receiving names on the faculty lists will be submitted to the student body for a school-wide vote. The top three names from this election will go to the Editorial Board for final consideration. The Board will then vote by secret ballot, and the final results will be known only by the editor, associate editor, and the faculty advisor, until the day of publication.

School-wide voting will take place in April.

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

by Nancy Goodheart

Recently Dean Bolger released to the *Kampus Vue* the social calendar for the remaining part of the spring semester of 1964 for the benefit of those readers who are interested in forthcoming events:

April 10-12	Junior Weekend
April 14	Esoteric Show
April 16	Commuters' Record Hop
April 25	Esoteric Formal
April 30	Gaveleer Show
May 1	Commuters' Dance
May 2	Gav-Hawk. Formal
May 4 ..	Women's Athletic Association Banquet
May 5	ToKalon Tea
May 7	Band Concert
May 10-16	Alumni Week
May 12	Adelphian Show
May 13 ..	Student Christian Association Picnic
	Adelphian Tea
	Newman Club Communion Supper
May 14	Philodemic Banquet
	Women's Social Club Sign-Up Day
	Drama Club Play
May 15	Drama Club Play
May 16	Alumni Day Banquet
	Massachusetts Industrial Education Society Project Fair
May 17	Class Day
May 19	Adelphian Banquet
	ToKalon Banquet
	Philodemic Social
May 20 or 21	Picnics
May 25	Men's Athletic Association Banquet
June 7	Commencement

LIBRARY COMMITTEE AIDS STUDENTS IN USE OF LIBRARY FACILITIES

by John Morris



From right to left: John Morris, Alexa Hanson, Cecile Martel, William Flis, Joan Avellar, Claire LaFond, Joanne Lesiczka, Mary Bradshaw, Charlotte Berry and Rosemary Burns.

Recently a group of students volunteered to serve on a library committee sponsored by the Student Government Association. The primary purpose of this committee is to foster the idea of students helping themselves and their

fellow-students to wade through the library stacks with greater ease and in less time. In addition, this committee will act as a reader's service, pointing out what can be found in the library, particularly books dealing with extra-curricular activities, various items on display, and new books.

The committee will also be assisting library personnel in the selection of books. In this capacity they will act as student representatives in helping F.S.C. develop a bigger and better library.

Student aides will be stationed at the Information Desk on the main floor of the library. The committee members are: John Morris (chairman), Alexa Hanson (secretary), Joan Avellar, Charlotte Berry, Mary Bradshaw, Rosemary Burns, Barbara Fearer, Maryann Kinsman, Claire La Fond, Joanne Lesiczka, Cecile Martel, Patricia Morrissey, John Santacrose and William Flis.

FIAA BULLETIN BOARD

by R. V. Pietrewicz

The Fitchburg Industrial Arts Association has had several encouraging comments made to it concerning its bulletin board. The FIAA board is located in the hallway of the Industrial Arts building. Constructed by the FIAA, it has the purpose of acquainting the students and faculty with the broad range of happenings under the banner of Industrial Arts education. The responsibility of maintaining and renewing materials is held by the association's officers. They see to it that colorful and interesting materials are displayed. Past display arrangements have included alloy steels, gas turbines, mechanism, photogrammetry, packaging, and professional and thought-simulating materials.

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STUDENT SPEAKS

by Daisy Jones

Do you think the Commuters' Board is carrying out its duties regarding the Commuters' Lounge?

Faith Mitchell — Freshman

"I don't think that the condition of the Lounge is due to the Commuters' Board, but rather it is due to the carelessness of the students using the Lounge."

Al Pierce — Freshman

"The Commuters' Board, in order to enforce the laws, should post them on their bulletin board."

Linda McCarthy — Sophomore

"The Commuters' Board do their best. Students do not obey the laws."

Doug Sanders — Sophomore

"The Commuters' Board is ineffectual and they have no clear purpose. A majority of the members manifest no interest or responsibility."

James Babineau — Senior

"I do believe that the Board can't stop people from being negligent; therefore, it is up to the people themselves not to misuse their privileges."

Bob Quatrello — Senior

"It's a mess, but it's not the fault of the board. Students do not abide by the rules."

Maureen Looney — Special Student

"I don't think that the students on the Board take care of the Lounge. The Commuters' Board should practice what they preach."

CONCERT-DANCE IN BAND'S PLANS

by Margaret Clancy

Should May bring with it March snows or April showers, a combination concert and dance will be held in the gym; otherwise, it will be an open-air activity. Two sites are being looked into: the dorm parking lot and the quadrangle.

The program will include Highlights from 'West Side Story,' Kurt Weill's 'Desafinado,' Ravel's 'Pavane,' and Brahms' 'Third Symphony, First Movement,' just to mention a few pieces.

This semester the band has undertaken the Grieg Piano Concerto, with Judith Percy as piano soloist.

Also in the planning is a Children's Concert for the training—school pupils, starring 'Tubby the Tuba.'

Be on the lookout during the month of May for posters announcing F.S.C.'s first Open Air Concert and Dance. See you there!

F. S. C. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

OFFICES IN THOMPSON HALL

HAPPINESS, DEDICATION, PERFECTION ARE QUALITIES OF THE BURKE FAMILY

by Janet LeClair

About seven P.M. on March sixteenth, two shiny maroon automobiles rolled into the parking lot at F.S.C. One license plate read CREDO and the other SONGS, giving an indication who might be inside. Out stepped the twelve members of the Burke Family Singers: Walter Vincent Burke, Anne M. Burke, and Stephen, John, James, Walter Jr., Peter, Martha, Gemma, Anne Marie, and Sarah Jo. All were smiling. All had eager looks on their faces.

As the Burke Family patiently stood on the stage for at least three quarters of an hour while the lights were being adjusted, one could gain impressions of this family. Happiness, dedication to their singing, awareness of the perfection sought after by their director-father — these qualities were apparent. Being natural wasn't a stage-act, it was part of their personality. "Let's have all green lights — tomorrow's St. Patrick's Day!"



PRESIDENT HAMMOND AND DR.
KENT POSE WITH THE
BURKE FAMILY

Originally from Boston, the Burkes have been living in Rhode Island since 1946. They have sung professionally for only three years, but since October have traveled 14,000 miles. Singing started as an outgrowth of their nightly family prayers. From the *Ave Maria* they learned more songs and now sing choral music, madrigals, spirituals, and folksongs in eight languages.

"Education in the raw" is a valuable part of touring and gives the Burke children many opportunities. Is schooling a problem to the Burke Family? Mr. Burke says there has been little problem up to now. The children study in cars and in motels and air-mail their assignments back to their schools. "Stephen, a sociology major in college, has the hardest time." Because of the many concerts planned for the fall, the Burke family may have to withdraw from formal schooling but will take correspondence courses.

The whole of the Burke Family love entertaining and experience no stage fright. Just the normal amount of butterflies persist before a performance, but "you feel safe having your whole family up there (on stage) with you."

The Burke family loved their recent tour in Canada and especially enjoyed

entertaining before college groups. "They are so full of rapture and enthusiasm." They thought it quite funny when their father had to do all of the announcing in French.

Each member of the family is also an individual and none plans to make music his career. Florence, 20, and Gemma Marie, 18, are both secretaries. Martha, 21, the "littler but stronger" member of the family, is a nurse. All have plans for the future.

What about the immediate future of the Burke family? They have just signed a five-year contract with Columbia records. A workshop will be in store for the summer, and many concert tours around the country are in the planning for next fall. Everyone who went to the concert will surely not forget the enjoyable evening presented to the students of F.S.C. by the Burke Family Singers.

LIBRARY NEWS

It is finally finished. The new library now has all its equipment and is ready to service the student body. Books are being ordered at a tremendous rate to accommodate the expanding curriculum here at F.S.C. All the new furniture and services are for the benefit of the students, if only they will use them. Three new listening booths have been made available to the student body. A comprehensive collection of classical records for use in the library is also available.

Did you know that the library has: The complete Everyman Library — circulating, in main reading room, 808.8.

McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of Science and Technology—16 volumes, non-circulating, reference collection, 503.

Lord of the Flies — William Golding, circulating, fiction collection.

Oxford English Dictionary — 13 volumes, non-circulating, reference collection, 423.

Henry James — 3-volume biography by Leon Edel, circulating, 928.1.

Essay and General Literature Index — non-circulating, reference collection, 016.

The Reivers — William Faulkner, circulating, fiction collection.

Complete Novels of Hawthorne, circulating, 813.3.

British Empire Before the American Revolution — Lawrence Gipson, 10 volumes, circulating, 942.072.

Complete Sherlock Holmes—Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, circulating, fiction collection.

Complete poems of Carl Sandburg, circulating, 811.5.

THE REMEDY

by Ronald Goudreau

She walked down the path leading from the house, through the grove and past the old quarry. She noticed a butterfly — was it the one she had seen yesterday? — flickering down the yellow-green bottoms of leaves and the more deeply pigmented tops of leaves that faced the sun. It flitted between the leaves while she watched enthralled, and then it jerked out of sight. Walking a little further on, she glimpsed a faun just as it darted across the path. She didn't pay more attention to her surroundings for the rest of her walk.

When she finally reached the quarry, she immediately began throwing stones into it. Now she didn't especially care whether the stones were uniform in size, as she sometimes had. Any stone that she found at her feet would do. There were a few men working on the opposite side of the quarry. She carelessly flung a few stones at them. One of them hit the windshield of a truck just as it was driving past. The driver got out and hollered at her to get home before she got hurt.

"As if he cares," she thought.

She ducked behind a large boulder and watched the men for a while, then left. On the way down from the steep banking that led to the top of the quarry she sighted another butterfly.

"God-damned things follow me everywhere. I hate them!"

When she reached the front steps she immediately felt that no one was home. "Thank God he's out," she thought, "I won't have to stand his stench." She jumped all but the middle steps, and slammed the screen door behind her.

The condition of the one room was still the same. Dirt, poverty, stench all gave her the feeling that repulsed her so often. She felt contained, restricted, bound around a situation that she couldn't remedy, that she couldn't even escape.

"Scat, Jinks!"

Her swift kick was aimed correctly, but the cat scrambled under the bed just in time to miss it, thus vexing her even more. She realized that she had forgotten why she had come into the house; having nothing to do, she went out onto the porch and pushed herself into the rocking chair.

"I don't know what I'd do without this chair! It's the only thing that lets me have a minute's peace." She caught herself just in time to prevent an upsurge of self-pity.

"Oh, for God's sake! Another butterfly!" she said out loud.

She tried to wave it away several times but didn't succeed, and fell back into her rocking chair. The butterfly flitted about for a moment before it landed on the worn planks of the porch. When it did, it created two triangular shadows that bumped into each other, entwined, and then separated. Dina

enjoyed the dance of the two shadows immensely. She loved the careless indolence of the insect, the casual way that it began its leisurely climb up the porch post. When it reached about two-thirds of the height of the post, it spread its wings and took flight.

"What a marvelous creature," she thought.

Dina leaped out of her chair and ran into the kitchen. As her father walked up the path, he could hear her singing and making noise with pots and dishes and furniture. When he opened the door, he found her at the sink washing dishes and watching a butterfly struggling in a jar on the window sill.

COMMUTERS' BOARD ASKS COOPERATION

by Carol Ramondelli

The two new coat racks now being used in the lounge were purchased by the Commuters' Association in an attempt to provide for student needs. The students, however, seem only to be receiving. They continue to disregard the rules of the lounge and make no attempt to restrict food and drinks to the cafeteria. Neither verbal nor printed remarks seem to affect them. Since the appearance is becoming worse, students are urgently asked to cooperate.

The annual St. Patrick's Day Dance, directed by Joe LeBlanc, was held on March 13th in the Gym. Refreshments were served and entertainment was provided by Dave Barnicle, Hank Devlin, Alan Major and Lenny Hill.

THE CHOICE IS UP TO US

This is a special issue of the KAMPUS VUE. It is special not only because it is a joint issue, nor because it represents a circulation of over 6,000 copies, the largest in our history, but because it represents a new idea, and because it is a giant step towards greater understanding and unity between Fitchburg's graduates undergraduates, faculty, and friends.

Through this issue we hope to renew and reinforce your interest in your Alma Mater and acquaint undergraduates with the Alumni Association, thereby bringing about a spirit of mutual help and cooperation.

Active alumni are vital to the growth of a college. They are the school's ambassadors of good will; they are the finished product; and it is upon their performance in the field that the college will be judged.

Unfortunately, it often happens that our ambassadors fail to report their post-graduate activities and forget to renew their allegiance to Fitchburg; as a result much of the good will gained never reaps the beneficial results that it might.

The Alumni Association at Fitchburg is striving to unite all graduates, undergraduates, faculty members and friends of the college into a working unit to improve their Alma Mater, their profession, and themselves. The spark is there, but the flame of widespread enthusiasm is missing.

To produce this, you the alumni must retrieve your interest of college days, and we the undergraduates must more closely ally ourselves with the Alumni Association.

If we do this we will insure greater success for ourselves, our college, and our profession. To fail to do this is to belittle ourselves, our college and our profession. The choice is up to us.

W. F.



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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR ALUMNI PRESIDENT

Students at Fitchburg State College still learn to *do by doing*. Wherever you are, you are still learning more by "doing." As your present alumni president, I am learning much!

Your Board of Directors early in August ascertained alumni needs. It has been my responsibility to *do* something about the most urgent matters. Here in our office I work as many days as I can with the help of a very capable office-secretary. My first step was to install an alumni phone. (The number is 343-3817. Why not dial that number and chat a bit!)

It did not surprise me to receive my first offer of help from a professor of music. I had known well the generosity and untiring efforts of Elizabeth Perry and Helen Curry Healy. Dr. Richard Kent and the present Glee Club gave a Pops Concert early in December for the benefit of the Alumni Fund Drive. (Be sure to read Jim O'Sullivan's article in this issue.)

You are now reading the first joint effort of our college students and our alumni in the field of publication. Here, both students and alumni have a chance to talk things over with you. I hope that thousands of you will speak to us by mail when you return Page 11. Be assured that the former alumni newsletters are not to be discontinued. You must have missed them this year. Frankly, it will cost us as much to provide the 5000 alumni with this one issue as to send the four newsletters. This issue is an experiment which could not have been even attempted without the initiative, ability, and cooperation of the student editor of *Kampus Vue*.

It was wonderful to act as your hostess of the Faculty Convocation Luncheon sponsored by the Alumni Association in September; to represent you in the academic procession at President Hammond's inaugural (where I rejoiced at meeting so many of you) and to preside at the Alumni Testimonial Dinner given for Jim a few days later. (That affair was a sell-out. Our gift to him was his beautiful academic robe.)

There are always alumni at hand when I need them — but I often feel that I request too much from the same few. The college-faculty-alumni number more than thirty and are anxious to help (but the campus is so big I still don't know where to locate some of them! All other faculty whom we classify as affiliated alumni have made wonderful suggestions and very substantial donations in time and money.

The term of office on our Alumni Board is two years. My one regret is that I find that I cannot carry on as



Dr. Gearan and Alumni Office Secretary Margaret Kivlehan.

your president for a second year. We are so fortunate that the President-elect is George Conaty, who will be installed at the Reunion Dinner on Saturday evening, May 16, 1964.

I have two suggestions on which we should like your reaction. The extent of the geographical placement of alumni is impressive. There are hundreds who can not visit the campus and doubtlessly do not know the "Fitchburgers" in their areas. We might create several area-vice-presidents. In the past we have had active chapter programs and this should continue. An area-vice-president representing Greater Boston, Western Massachusetts, Southern New England, Greater New York or Chicago or Los Angeles, etc., would be in direct contact with the Fitchburg Office.

My second suggestion has been passed on to me by President Hammond and seems to be received very well locally. The Alumni might establish a working fund for an alumni officer (probably also a faculty member) to work on public relations and/or professional improvement. This officer would visit many areas and promote stronger ties with both college and alumni association officers. We all *need* to know of the success which hundreds of you have made, for each of us gains something for himself as he shares in any public recognition given another alumnus. I know of so many, many alumni who have done such marvelous

things in the business, profession, and political world! What do you think?

All this takes planning and money. I am a bit abashed in writing this next sentence. We are the only Massachusetts State College Alumni Association with an annual dues of two dollars! I am recommending the annual dues be raised to five dollars and that the life memberships be discontinued. Of course all presently held will always be honored. Those of us who paid \$10 or \$25 for a life membership are not boasting about it when we realize other professional obligations. Some of us have contributed to The Alumni Fund Drive which James O'Sullivan launched during his presidency last year and is continuing this year. We appreciate the *one percent* of the 5000 Alumni who donated the suggested \$100 — Where are the 4950 others? Read Jim's article and get behind this drive. Reflect on the meager budget set up for next year and other articles in this issue on library needs, the Alumni Court, the scholarship status, and our revolving Loan Fund.

I could write of many more achievements and contributions made by our members; of the renewed pride in Greater Fitchburg in the progress of the College; of the possible alumnae seminars; of the new training school off Rindge Road to accommodate all the children now at Edgerly, Dillon and Junior High School under one roof; of the new liberal arts college and the new State Board of Teachers Colleges, — But I must stop! Come back and see for yourself!

The annual Alumni Reunion Meeting will be held on the campus Saturday, May 16, 1964 (following the annual two-day conference of the Massachusetts Industrial Arts Association.) A reception will be held in Herlihy Hall at five o'clock that afternoon and the dinner meeting will start promptly at six in Herlihy Dining Room on North Street.

In this issue is a cut-out Page 9. Read it carefully. Fill out every space (even if you must write regrets.) It is time to do it now! Make your reservation for dinner, check your own class reunion plans, order a college chair — but **MOST IMPORTANT** fill in the correct data on *yourself* and write your suggestions for Alumni activities. Please give this your attention NOW.

Your Board of Directors has been *active*. Please *do* your share — Remember, we all learn to do by doing!

Dr. Marie Gearan
Alumni President

MARGARET SHEA MEMORIAL ESTABLISHED SEEK CHILDREN'S LITERATURE FOR LIBRARY

The college is very happy with its beautiful, new, well-equipped library. On the lower floor is a spacious library and stacks, while the periodicals library and reserve section is on the floor above on the same level as the administrative offices of the college. Within this latter section are special rooms equipped with record players and a microfilm reader. Nonetheless we are not altogether happy, for something is missing. We have the room and the facilities but are unhappily deficient in the number and kinds of books, records, films and tapes we should have. We need to literally double the number of books we have on our shelves if we are to meet minimum college library standards. To this end the library and college officials are employing extraordinary measures to obtain new volumes.

The library has benefited by the interest of individuals and groups in the form of donations of books, usually in memory of a departed faculty member. Recently, The Margaret Shea Memorial Collection drive was initiated. Miss Shea, former Supervisor of Elementary Education for the Commonwealth and before that Principal of the Dillon School, had many times demonstrated her love of elementary education and the college. So it was fitting that a collection directed toward obtaining a goodly number of outstanding books in children's literature be started.

The college is collaborating with people of Finnish extraction in an effort to disseminate, preserve and extend some of the riches of Finnish culture. It was decided to establish the college as a center for a memorial book collection which would honor outstanding members of the Finnish nationality. Two outstanding internationally known Finns, ex-Premier Oskari Tokoi and ex-Vice-consul Henry Puranen were the inspiration for this drive. These men had lived in Fitchburg for many years and at the time of their death had

been memorialized by various groups. A book collection was started in their name but then spread to a recognition of all Finnish culture. This project has great and exciting potential.

Several other book collections are under way and as yet have received very little publicity. The college Newman Club for example, is pledged to donate books to the library. Individuals have also started a modest collection.

We hope every alumnus will identify himself with one of these collections and help to expand it. We hope individuals or groups will initiate others which appeal to them. The need is great. The value is immeasurable. Won't you assist us in this very worthwhile undertaking?

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Pictured above: portion of lower floor study area in the new library.

PRESIDENT HAMMOND URGES INCREASED COMMUNICATION



President Hammond

I am deeply grateful to the staff of the *Kampus Vue* for their willingness to devote a section of this issue to Alumni affairs. Such splendid cooperation has enabled us to move one step forward in the realization of our intent to achieve more effective means of communicating with our alumni. I am certain the alumni are happy to receive a copy of this issue of the college paper, for they are interested in reading about the activities of the present student body and the current news of the college. In return, I hope that the alumni next year will devote at least a section of one issue of the Alumni Bulletin to the effort of bringing to the student body at least a glimpse of the noteworthy activities of some members of the alumni and of the Alumni Association. It is imperative that we find practical ways of arranging for an effective system of communication between all segments of the college family. We are exploring several different schemes for getting news to the alumni and hope we can put some of these ideas into operation next year. We believe there are possibilities for some kind of interchanging between the student and alumni publications. At least one issue of each group could be prepared so that it will be of particular interest to both groups. We are grateful to the editor and his staff for taking this first step. We congratulate the officers of the Alumni for this accomplishment. Please send to the alumni office news about your own activities, fortunes and accomplishments or any news of alumni which may come to your attention and which you feel should be publicized.

We solicit your cooperation in our endeavor to have regularized and interesting alumni communication.

James J. Hammond
President

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REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

The purpose of the Finance Committee of the Fitchburg State College Alumni Association, since its inception in 1959, has been to simplify the method of bookkeeping, to consolidate the numerous bank accounts under general classifications, to present a budget for the ensuing year, and to advise and supplement the duties of the treasurer.

Our bookkeeping methods of 1959 have been simplified so that any alumnus can easily serve as treasurer. Previously, our bookkeeping required a journal, a ledger, etc. almost requiring the treasurer to have some training in bookkeeping. Now our accounts require only one book, showing receipts and expenditures, and the use of a check book for disbursements.

Our accounts in the banks in 1959 numbered ten various accounts, some savings, some scholarships, or other funds, and a general checking account. Now we have a general checking account, the Scholarship Fund, Memorial Funds, and a savings account. The Memorial Funds are to be used to beautify the new quadrangle, thus eliminating that account. Our new Building Fund is an active and growing account. Reducing the number of banking accounts has lessened the treasurer's burden of transferring funds when needed for various projects.

Each year has seen an increase in the activities of the Alumni. More money raising events, more newsletters, more correspondence. Such increased activities have resulted not only in an increase in receipts, but has also increased expenses. Now a full-time secretary is needed for the heavy correspondence and office work. Our own equipment, for both business and social activities, is needed. Our own office and meeting room now is fulfilling a long-felt need. To accommodate these receipts and expenditures, a budget has been set for each year. The proposed budget for the year 1964-1965 is as follows: Scholarship, \$100; A.M.S.C.A. Dues, \$75; Senior Tea, \$100, Advertising, \$75; News Letter, \$500; Office Expenses — Salary, \$2,200; Telephone, \$110; Postage, \$150; Office Supplies, \$350; Servicing Equipment, \$25; Miscellaneous \$15; a total of \$3,700. It is hoped that our budget will be met by the financial assistance of the Alumni.

As chairman of the Finance Board, it has been my pleasure to work with two past treasurers, Betty Aselta and Doris Peontik, and the present treasurer, Robert Tapply. Together we have balanced our accounts, determined upon a policy of dues collection by billing, and established our financial needs for the year in the form of a budget.

Whole-hearted support of the Alumni Association by your paid-up membership will help us attain our goal.

Yours truly,

Katharine D. Fenton

Chairman of Finance Committee



This is the future site of the Alumni Court as seen from the third floor of Thompson Hall.

PLANS SET FOR CENTRAL COURTYARD

by L. W. Jackson

Not so long ago one might hear the statement that the college buildings were drab and unattractive and the grounds in need of attention. The new buildings along with the landscaping that has been done has stimulated interest in a campus beautification project. There is confidence that the college setting can be made a very attractive one. Last year the outer campus was encircled with bright street lights on Highland Avenue, Pearl, North and Ross streets. The new building complex contributed additional lights, trees, shrubs and lawn. This summer it is planned to transform the area between Edgerly and the Junior High school, where the clay tennis courts were located for many years, and also the stretch between the Industrial Arts Building and the Gymnasium, into an attractive central courtyard to be known as the Alumni Court.

Imagine two parallel concrete walks extending from the rear entrance of Thompson Hall, north across campus to the side entrance of the new building complex. Lining the walks will be a row of handsome trees, each probably a different species. Between the walks a grassy "mall" planted with small flowering shrubs with red cedar benches conveniently placed and the whole area effectively spotlighted.

The Alumni are assisting the college in financing this project and it is hoped that it will be completed by the fall. The effect should be an attractive transformation. It was suggested that a sundial and bird bath, gifts of early classes, be placed within this court.

Suggestions for making this area more meaningful, memorable and attractive are welcomed. Please write the Alumni office about it.

CLASS OF 1939

The class of 1939 has plans well under way for their twenty-fifth (25th) reunion on May 16, 1964. Responses to questionnaires, requesting information to bring class data up to date, have revealed a variety of experiences.

The interest and spirit indicate there will be a good showing at the social hour to be held at the Cloverhill Rib House from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. which will be followed by registration in the Thompson Hall Lobby from 5:00-6:00 p.m. The class will then attend the Alumni Dinner in the dining hall of Herlihy Dormitory, scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Fliers with additional notices will continue to be sent out to members of the class as further information and plans develop.



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CLASS OF 1914 REUNION COMMITTEE REPORT

The anniversary committee for the class of 1914 is busily engaged in preparations for the celebration of their 50th reunion on May 16th. It is hoped that a large group of their classmates will be present for the festivities.

Many of these classmates have achieved recognition as leaders in their chosen profession and were able to accomplish their aims because of the worthwhile foundation they built while students of Fitchburg Normal School, now known as "State College."

HOMECOMING DAY SATURDAY, MAY 16

The annual Homecoming Day Program will be held on Campus Saturday, May 16, and present indications are that it will be one of the most successful reunions in many years.

Reunion Chairman Harry Mitchell and his committee have prepared an expansive and imaginative program for your pleasure so that it will be a day long to be remembered.

Class representatives of the Golden and Silver Anniversary Classes have started their committees in action planning for this gala affair.

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ALUMNI CONSTITUTION KEPT UP TO DATE

The Constitution of the Alumni Association is cared for by a committee much the same as other organizations.

Revisions are noted as voted and incorporated into a complete revision at five-year intervals.

Much work was done by Mrs. William G. LaBrecht and Mr. Henry Lambert and others on the latest revision. Through their efforts and those of the present committee, the present complete revision was accepted May 20th, 1961.

It states the purposes of the Alumni Association, and this may be a good time to list them:

(A) To promote the mutual interest and cooperation between the Alumni and the College. (B) To keep the Alumni informed about educational policies of the College. (C) To provide organized support for Legislation and other constructive action favorable to the College. (D) To encourage Regional Chapters. (E) To assist in developing individual class interests. (F) To provide financial assistance to deserving students of the College.

Membership: All graduates of the College and those who have completed six credit hours are eligible to become members.

The present committee are as follows: Ray J. Lund, William H. O'Connor, Renzo A. Ricciuti, Mrs. William G. LaBrecht, Ex Officio, Nelson E. Burnside, Chairman. If any member would like a copy of this constitution please let the chairman know.

THE ALUMNI'S HISTORIAN

Lest you be perplexed about this title, I shall leisurely explain: I am no pretender for the chair held by Dr. Roger Holmes and his department; I am no chronicler of the college's growth from Normal School with four teachers to its current status of State College with more than a hundred people, comprising the faculty; I am no specialist or authority on American concepts of how students have changed during the ensuing generation; I am a recorder of the present, of the dynamic today that is yours to shape if you wish.

Years ago while a student here, graduating from the first class receiving a degree — and you good readers, are welcome to add or subtract from this year to learn my age — I made a wish to teach here. You know the answer to that wish, and here I express my gratitude and offer my everlasting thanks to this small but effective grove of academe where I gained the basis to continue graduate studies at Harvard and at Boston University.

It is not presumptuous, I hope, to take pride in having been invited to teach at the college of my girlhood education.

It is not presumptuous, I hope, to feel joy in accomplishment and in thinking I have brought to my students experiences in education, in the humanities, and in living the fuller life.

It is rewarding for me to record the highlights that fell to me at various functions as Alumni Historian, namely; the pleasure of recalling the impressions made by Dr. Mary McDonald Long on colleagues and students, or as Dr. Long laughingly noted, "Her merits and demerits;" the comprehensive review of a book, "Now at the Hour" by a former student, Robert Cormier; the chance to offer deep appreciation and understanding to Florence Conlon, whose retirement has left an unfilled gap; the joy of wishing a former cohort and his wife eternal blessings and success, for now they are, respectively, the College President and the same good helpmate, but my complete satisfaction stems from Marie Gearan, President of the Alumni, who inspired me to write this article.

As recorded, everything has a time, a season and a reason. Now it is time to shout some hallelujahs for the students of the college, speaking from my own experiences, I offer my thanks to the students who have brought to me exchange of ideas, distinct flavors of varied backgrounds and humorous reflections of life in general.

Indeed, it is from students, from colleagues and from staff that I have gathered material to be used as Alumni Historian; therefore beware what you tell me for I must acquire trouncing thoughts that will add spice and hilarity to actual facts of my retelling.

An, if you do beware this blazing soul who "stoppeth one of three," please remember her mission is to hail to the world that the State College at Fitch-

burg, Massachusetts will rise like a meteor and shine in the future as in the past and is so predicted in the present by the Alumni's Historian, Lillian Tater. Selah!

VOCATIONAL ALUMNI CHAPTER IS ACTIVE

47% of Local Vocational Directors Hold Fitchburg Degrees

The Alumni Association charters Regional Chapters and Course Chapters. One such active course chapter is the Vocational Chapter chartered about 1944 by graduates of the Vocational Education Course. With hundreds of graduates attaining honored positions, we do not dare mention names because there will be omissions: School Superintendents, Directors of Vocational Schools, Supervisors and, let us never forget, the devoted Shop and Classroom Teachers.

One of the aims of this chapter throughout the years has been to guide members toward fulfilling requirements of higher positions and toward having these requirements high enough to challenge our members and to satisfy the high standards recently established by The State Board of Education.

At the present time 47% of the local Directors of Vocation Schools hold Fitchburg Degrees.

The Regional Schools are in operation; two more are now scheduled to start building. Three of these have Superintendent-Directors with Degrees from Fitchburg. Schools are being planned in four more communities with more in the future.

With the enactment of Public Law 88-210, the Vocational Act of 1963, the mission of these schools will expand into areas not touched before. There should be expansion for through the Manpower Development and Training Cast and The Area Redevelopment Act, these bring much money into Massachusetts and are, therefore, increasing the tempo of education and training in these fields.

With all of this expansion, Vocational Education is meeting the challenge and will continue to be one of the most important fields of education in the future. Well-trained craftsmen and teachers will do well to consider this field.

N. E. Burnside

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TEACHER, PLEASE HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOR

A thousand welcomes await the teacher who has a sense of humor, and according to a poll in 1963, administered to some 1,524 high and elementary schools, the survey indicated the favorite teacher as one having an amusing disposition.

This interviewing was a sincere effort of future teachers — college students, a sophomore elementary group and secondary majors — who expected to find "a preferred type" of teacher which they might pattern themselves upon.

Surprisingly, this random sampling, conducted from Boston to Fitchburg, Massachusetts; from Manchester, New Hampshire, to Providence, Rhode Island, divulged one or two qualities and

proved no such combinations as are usually considered part and parcel of the "typical teacher."

In this poll, pupils showed little interest in the "honest, clean, and punctual teacher" that formerly associated teachers with "lower middle-class virtues." Even the value of "patience" that Paul Witty found so dominant, in an earlier study of 47,000 pupils, was not at all vital in this questionnaire.

These students voted in this order: "sense of humor, skill in instructing, and friendliness, plus an interest in teachers who were "impartial, understanding, and imaginative."

Among the elementary school pupils, the preferred teacher was one "who likes fun," and other selected types were "cooperative, friendly, fair and helpful." In some twenty cases, youngsters mentioned their preferences according to: "gives no homework; gives easy work; and likes children."

Enlarging the interest of teacher-qualities, the interviewers questioned high school administrators and parents of high school pupils. The principals most often desired teachers who know their subjects, who are fair, who are patient, who are able to stimulate learning, and who are objective.

Only on one quality did parents agree with administrators objectively. Parents preferred teachers to appreciate pupils' capacities; to be understanding; to use authority; to be objective; and to take pride in teaching.

Relative to the elementary school, parents showed a predominance toward business-like qualities such as: "skill in instructing, friendliness, being ready and prompt, good disciplinarian, and liking children."

In this same relationship, elementary principals chose in this order: "understanding, skill in teaching, being well-prepared, having wide interests, and being helpful."

Amazingly revealing was the fact that very few interviewers expected teachers "to be willing to do extra work, to be friendly, or to be self-controlled."

In summation, these future teachers have learned: "smile not; teach not." or as one interviewer concluded, "Laugh (it up), love (the pupils), and learn (before you earn)."

Gertrude M. Cunningham '25



DOINGS OF AMSCA

AMSCA had its beginning sixteen years ago under the name of Massachusetts State Teachers Colleges Alumni Federation. At that time the State Teachers Colleges were at a low ebb and still heading down. Fearful of delaying action any longer, twenty-one representatives from the ten state colleges met for the first time on July 19, 1947, to discuss ways and means of correcting the situation. College presidents and enlightened alumni of the state colleges saw a glimmer of hope that progress could be made from a concerted effort on the part of all the graduates of all the state teachers colleges. It was agreed that the purpose of the organization was to promote the professional, social, and economic interests of all of the ten teachers colleges. The immediate concern of the newly formed organization was to oppose the bill then currently before the state legislature, proposing to convert the State Teachers Colleges from four-year institutions to two-year junior colleges. Successful and militant action against this measure, and similar bills in succeeding legislatures, indicates that AMSCA is one of the most influential forces in the Commonwealth to preserve the status of the state colleges.

Such was the beginning of AMSCA, which now means Association of Massachusetts State College Alumni. More recent activities have been several, including, number one, the Freedom Bill, signed into law on June 11, 1962. This bill permits the presidents of the state colleges much desired latitude in seeking candidates for faculty positions by removing crippling restrictions; number two, the Fiscal Autonomy Bill, signed by the Governor on August 12, 1963, which granted to the presidents of state colleges the same privileges in their expenditures as granted to the University; and number three, the Faculty Salary Increase Bill, signed by the Governor on October 31, 1963.

Great credit is due for the success of all this important legislation to Ann W. Lake, Esq., current President of AMSCA, Senator Kevin B. Harrington, the true legislative Champion of State Colleges, Dr. Frederick A. Meier, President of Salem State College, also father of Fiscal Autonomy, and Reporter Ian Forman for his substantial and pertinent articles in the Boston Globe.

ALUMNI REPORT FROM CALIFORNIA

California, a state of changing trends, has produced a rather uncertain yet stimulating prospective on the educational processes. Team teaching and modern math are just a few of the new trends with which we are expected to be acquainted.

Team teaching, a rather important part of our curriculum, utilizes the specializations of teachers and develops the varied potentialities of each child. Having a working knowledge of team teaching through various college courses, we are able to identify ourselves with these techniques.

Educators in the West are constantly searching for new materials designed to provide maximum flexibility in planning to meet the needs of each child. As teachers, we are called upon to evaluate these new materials in our classrooms. Modern mathematics, as a specific example, is rather new in our district. Many new materials are available for use, such as the Stern Materials and Crusinaire Rods. Since these materials were introduced during our training period at Fitchburg, we are acquainted with these techniques. Teachers with a liberal arts degree were at a disadvantage, for only at a teacher institute can such points be stressed advantageously.

Some of the more general, yet important, issues such as classroom environment, teacher-pupil relationship, rapport with the administration, individual student guidance, and even critical thinking can be accredited to our academic undertaking at Fitchburg. These college experiences have made life a good deal easier in this progressive state.

Mary Lou Hazell '63
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- DRAMA CLUB IN REHEARSAL
- HAWKS WELCOME ALUMNI
- NEW AUTO INSPECTION RULES

DRAMA CLUB NEWS

Mr. Eugene Casassa, sponsor and director of the Drama Club, recently chose George S. Kaufman's and Moss Hart's hilarious full-length comedy "The Man Who Came To Dinner" as the Spring production for this year. Try-outs and preparations are in the making now. The play will be produced in mid-May. It is interesting to note that Mr. Casassa acted in the same play when he attended F.S.C.

ToKALON NEWS

by Carole Taylor

The ToKalons will be hostesses to all women students at the Toke Tea on Tuesday afternoon, May 5, from 3:30 to 5:00. The Tokes especially wish to make this function one at which the freshman women may become better acquainted with more upperclass women, representing various class sections and organizations on campus.

Other activities planned for the spring semester include the annual Toke Banquet at the Old Mill on May 19, a picnic, and a home-cooked spaghetti supper in late May.

ADELPHIAN DOINGS

by Maggy Parmenter

Plans for the annual show, to be held on May 12, are progressing rapidly. Make note of the Oswald nominations posted on the CLUBS bulletin board in early May. The awards will be made the evening of the show, as will the awarding of the Adelpian Scholarship.

Wednesday, May 13 is the date for the Adelpian Tea. All girls who will have completed at least one year at F.S.C. in June are welcome to attend. The time of day and place will be announced at a later date.

S.C.A. ACTIVITIES

by Jean Kokko

The home of Dr. Everett Koehler was opened to the members of the Student Christian Association recently for an

informal discussion on "What God Means To Me." After the discussion refreshments were served by Mrs. Koehler.

Chaplain's Night was held on March 11 at Rollstone Church. The Rev. Schadegg spoke to the members on living an active Christian life. A social hour followed a brief business meeting. The committee chairmen were Helen Criscuolo, Meredith McLean, Carol Butler, and Karen Leyland.

On April 1, 1964 Dr. Veva K. Dean, professor of geography, presented a program of underwater photography.

Members are requested to sign up for the annual supper-outing, to be held on May 13 at Camp Wellville, Ashburnham.

MOHAWK NEWS

The MOHAWKS are making plans for their two final social events of the 1963-1964 school year. Remaining on their social calendar are the Gav-Hawk formal and the installation banquet. The formal dance will be held at the White Cliffs in Northboro, Mass., on May 2, 1964. The MOHAWK Club and the Gaveleer Society alternate with each other in this annual event. This year the Gavs are relying on the Hawks to make the formal a night to remember.

The MOHAWKS recently entered the city of Fitchburg "Heart Fund" basketball tournament. Varsity hoopsters Fred Gillis, Sam Pawlak, and Tony Romano together with Jerry Driscoll, Bernie Keirnan, Paul Flahive, Bob Connors, Joe LeBlanc, Tim Carroll, Jim George, and Bob Ringuette performed quite well amidst the best of the area's semi-pro basketball teams.

Ned Daniels has recently sent a newsletter to the MOHAWK Alumni in an effort to acquaint them with the current activities of the MOHAWK club. He has also received many responses indicating that a number of former Hawks will be in attendance at their 40th anniversary celebration in the fall of 1964.

TIRES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT ADDED TO SEMI-ANNUAL MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION

Highway safety in Massachusetts received a large boost with the signing by Governor Endicott Peabody of two bills which will provide additional

standards for the semi-annual motor vehicle inspection.

The first bill broadens the inspection for the State's 2,000,000 motor vehicles to include tires, fenders, bumpers, external sheet metal, and the entire exhaust system, as well as adding reflectors, chock blocks, and mud flaps to the inspection of commercial vehicles.

The second bill provides that new motor vehicles as well as second hand automobiles, must be inspected within 7 days of registration. Formerly, this requirement was only necessary for second-hand automobiles registered between the two inspection periods.

The new requirements for the semi-annual motor vehicle inspection will take effect with the start of the Fall Inspection on September 1, 1964.

"It is pleasant to contemplate," Registrar Lawton concluded, "that as good as we hope to make this Spring Inspection, we can look forward to an even better Inspection in the Fall because of the broadening of Inspection safety standards."

PHILODEMIC NEWS

by Kerry Shea

At a recent meeting of the Philodemic Society it was decided that a quota will be set limiting total club membership to fifty-two. Plans were also made for the annual senior banquet to be held at the Old Mill Tea Room, Westminster, on May 14. Committees were organized to plan the banquet, details being left to the Sophomore and Junior members of the club.

Sixteen seniors will be leaving the ranks of active Philos this year; they are Diane Pine, Mary Mallahy, Joan Lee Enwright, Leslie Swanson, Muriel Monteiro, Nancy Miller and Betty Miller, Clair La Fond, Jean Murphy, Sandy Lemos, Sally Turner, Steph Pappas, Judy Baker, Virginia Adams, Shirley Jena, Jane Carrigan and Mary Linehan.

Nominations for next year's officers, and plans for the annual Philodemic picnic to be held at Willard Brook will be included at the April 28th Philo meeting.

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FUND DRIVE

Your Alumni \$100,000 Fund Drive is really moving in high gear and the first phase of the drive is expected to reach the \$25,000 figure by Homecoming Day, May 16.

Committees in Clinton, Fitchburg, Gardner, Leominster, and Lunenburg are working on parties to be held during the month of April for the personal canvass solicitation.

The week of May 11, you will receive a news letter with complete information about the drive. The newsletter will contain an Honor Roll listing names and amounts pledged or contributed by FSC graduates and others.

ALUMNI QUESTIONNAIRE

Kindly fill out this form and mail it to: Alumni Office, State College, Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

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Have you paid your 1963-64 dues (\$2.00)? If not, please send check. Reservation for Annual Reunion Dinner.

MIB PLANS ALL-SCHOOL OLYMPICS

To provide a wholesome and healthful activity for all-college participation the MIB is sponsoring an All-School Olympics, to be held Wednesday, April 15, at 6:30 P.M., in the Parkinson Gymnasium. The Coordinator of the event is Roger LeBlanc, MIB President.

Assisting Roger will be the Coordinating Committee, consisting of MIB members Mike Magrone, Tony Romano, Paul Flahive, Jim Carroll, Bernie Kiernan, Marty O'Brien, Robert Ringuette, Sam Pawlak, Steve Chapdelaine, Tom Turner and Fred Turner.

Representing the Social Clubs on this committee will be Diane Pine (Philodemic), Nancy Clewes (Adelphian), Barbara Jackson (Tokalon), Paul Marchand (Esoteric), Roger Smith (Gaveleer) and Tony Romano (Mohawks).

Class Presidents represented will be James Babineau '64, Robert Aldrin '65, John Malloy '66, Arnie Briden '67.

Robert Jones will represent the Commuters' Board.

Student Government Representatives include Ned Daniels and Jeff Williams. Betty Miller will represent the Women's Athletic Association.

Members of other committees are Diane Pine, Barbara Jackson and Nancy Clewes — Ribbon Awards; Mrs. Battinelli Mr. Angelini, and Mr. Casassa — Faculty Events; Tom Lamey, Paul Flahive, Dave Erwin, Mike Magrone, James Babineau, Matt Abbott — Donations.

Publicity will be handled by Marty O'Brien, Sam Pawlak, Robert Jones, Diane Pine, Mike Magrone and Bob Ringuette.

A voluntary admission of 50¢ will be collected by members of the Soccer Team. All money donated will be given to the Soccer Team as a gift from the MIB to be used to buy championship jackets.

Descriptions of the events, the equipment needed, and the rules to be followed will be made available to all those interested through the presidents of the participating organizations.

Dean Bolger has given permission for the dormitory girls to stay without taking a "late," but the girls must be in the dormitory immediately after the conclusion of the Olympics.

Teams participating will be:
Mohawks Class of '64
Gaveleers Class of '65
Esoterics Class of '66
Philodemics Miss Haskins' '67
Adelphians Mr. Harrod's '67
Tokalons A Guest Team

Owing to the size of the Class of '67, it was decided to divide it into the two above teams.

A guest team has been invited to participate. Their identity will not be disclosed until the evening of the Olympics.

MIB ANNOUNCES ALL-STAR TEAM



JERRY DRISCOLL



PAUL FLAHIVE



MARTY O'BRIEN

The Men's Intramural Board recently selected its 1963-1964 All-Star Team. Students selected were:

ALL-STAR TEAM

Jerry Driscoll (Mohawk A), Paul Flahive (Mohawk A), Marty O'Brien (Independents), Dennis Barnicle (Independents), Dick Priestly (Gaveleers).

HONORABLE MENTION

Bernie Leclair (Shop-Rats), Bernie Kiernan (Mohawk A), Bernie Austin (Eso A), Joe Leblanc (Mohawk A), Ray Harmacinski (Eso A), Bob Connors (Mohawk A). These were chosen by the M.I.B. members and the team representatives.

1964 CHAMPIONS — Mohawks A (9-0)

1964 Most Valuable Player

JERRY DRISCOLL

The All-Stars were selected by the members of the MIB and the team representatives (one representative per team). Scoring was on a point system: 3 points for first place, 1 point for honorable mention. The Most Valuable Player was chosen in a similar manner.

A Championship Trophy, The Most-Valuable-Player Award, and an introduction of the MIB All-Star Team will take place as part of the All-College Olympics, Wednesday, April 15, at 6:30 P.M. in the gym.

The Board members wish to thank all the teams that participated and made the league a success. They would also like to acknowledge the help received from the referees, timers, and scorekeepers, especially Mr. Eliot and Mr. Battinelli.

The board is presently trying to negotiate an extra-mural game between the Mohawk champion team and the Salem State College Champions. More information on this will be forthcoming.



DENNIS BARNICLE



DICK PRIESTLY

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Mohawk A	9	0
Gaveleers	7	2
Independents	7	2
Eso A	7	2
Mohawk CB	3	3
Vultures	3	4
Shop-Rats	3	4
Scholastics	2	5
Hummers	1	4
Eso B	0	5
Hy-Chairz*	2	7

*Forfeited; out of the league after 4th game.